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SUBJ: ONTARIO PREMIER DAVIS SPEAKS IN MONTREAL ON QUEBEC AND
CONFEDERATION

1. PREMIER WILLIAM DAVIS OF ONTARIO GAVE GENERALLY UP-BEAT
ADDRESS TO MONTREAL TODAY ON "THE CANADIAN CHALLENGE".

2. NOT SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM PRIOR DAVIS STATEMENTS ON
MATTER REPORTED BY TORONTO, SPEECH CENTERED ON THEMES OF
(A) IMPORTANCE OF QUEBEC AND QUEBECOIS TO CANADA ("FRENCH
CANADIAN SURVIVAL IS NOT THE ONLY ISSUE FACING THIS COUNTRY, BUT
IT IS, IN MY VIEW, THE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE WHICH IS OF EQUAL
IMPORTANCE TO SEPARATIST AND FEDERALIST ALIKE"); (B) CONFIDENCE
("I AM CONFIDENT ABOUT OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY; ... A NATION THAT
IS PRODUCTIVE ECONOMICALLY IS VIABLE POLITICALLY; CANADA IS FAR
MORE PRODUCTIVE AND EQUITABLE THAN ANY OF ITS PARTS"); (C)
REALIGNMENT OF THE POWER STRUCTURE ("WE MUST BE PREPARED TO
DEBUNK A FUNDAMENTAL MYTH ... THAT IN ECONOMIC OR POLITICAL TERMS
DECENTRALIZATION IN AND OF ITSELF IS THE ONLY ANSWER ... IF THE
PROBLEM IS THE CONCENTRATION OF POWER, THEN THE SOLUTION LIES
IN A REALIGNMENT OF POWER, NOT NECESSARILY IN ITS RECONCENTRATION
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IN ANOTHER PLACE"); AND (D) COMMON UNITY OF PURPOSE ("POLITICAL
PARTISANSHIP HAS NO PLACE IN THIS DEBATE").

3. SPEECH WELL RECEIVED THOUGH STANDING "OVATION" WAS SLOW TO
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